Table 2

Funds spent for business R&D performed in the United States, by source of funds, selected industry, and company size: 2019

(Millions of dollars)

Industry, NAICS code, and company size		Paid for by the company ^b	Paid for by others									
							Companies				All other	
	All R&Da		Total		Federal		Domest	ic	Foreign ^c	o	rganizations	
All industries, 21-33, 42-81	492,956	428,968	63,989		21,941		21,461		19,554		1,033	
Manufacturing industries, 31-33	285,674	248,109	37,564		16,023	i	5,470		15,749		322	
Chemicals, 325	97,063	87,288	9,775		289		1,967		7,459		60	
Pharmaceuticals and medicines, 3254	87,619	78,652	8,966		269		1,938		6,707		52	
Other 325	9,444	8,636	809		20		29		752		8	
Machinery, 333	15,184	13,930	1,254		193		371		689		1	
Computer and electronic products, 334	86,729	75,570	11,159		5,802		1,679		3,604		74	
Electrical equipment, appliance, and components, 335	5,263	4,886	377		27		30	i	317		3	
Transportation equipment, 336	45,375	31,505	13,870	i	9,652	i	1,031		3,020	T	167	
Motor vehicles, bodies, trailers, and parts, 3361–63	24,117	20,883	3,233	i	38-481		0-374		2,754		D	
Aerospace products and parts, 3364	18,358 i	8,900	9,458	i	8,454	i	658		176-257		D	
Other 336	2,900	1,722	1,179		D		D		D		D	
Manufacturing nec, other 31-33	36,060	34,930	1,129		60	i	392		660		17	
Nonmanufacturing industries, 21-23, 42-81	207,283	180,858	26,425		5,918		15,991	i	3,805		711	
Information, 51	110,227	109,062	1,165		185		81		860		39	
Software publishers, 5112	32,958	32,386	572		57		4		476		35	
Other 51	77,269	76,676	593		128		77		384	T	4	
Finance and insurance, 52	8,917	8,890	28		0		28		0		0	
Professional, scientific, and technical services, 54	53,233	29,131	24,103		5,685		15,076	i	2,674		668	
Computer systems design and related services, 5415	21,046	18,395	2,651		454		489		1,503		205	
Scientific research and development services, 5417	21,669	3,265	18,403		3,343		13,741	i	1,002		317	
Other 54	10,518	7,471	3,049		1,888		846		169		146	
Nonmanufacturing nec, Other 21–23, 42–81	34,906	33,775	1,129		48		806		271		4	
Size of company (number of domestic employees)												
Small companies ^e												
10-19	5,501	4,432	1,070		502		315	i	141		112	
20-49	12,418	10,040	2,378		811		766		660	i	141	
Medium companies												
50-99	14,021	11,492	2,529		697		796		784		252	
100-249	19,793	16,520	3,274		988		1,029		1,147		110	
Large companies												
250-499	18,883	15,356	3,527		1,393		623		1,405	i	106	
500-999	23,969	21,549	2,420		248	i	566		1,592	i	14	
1,000-4,999	75,671	64,475	11,196		1,710		1,924	i	7,500		62	
5,000-9,999	50,811	44,728	6,083		977		3,908	i	1,141		57	
10,000-24,999	88,263	74,385	13,878	i	1,717	i	7,183	i	4,918		60	
25,000 or more	183,626	165,991	17,635		12,897	i	4,352		268		118	

D = suppressed to avoid disclosure of confidential information; i = more than 50% of the estimate is a combination of imputation and reweighting to account for nonresponse.

NAICS = North American Industry Classification System; nec = not elsewhere classified.

- ^a All R&D is the cost of R&D paid for and performed by the respondent company and paid for by others outside of the company and performed by the respondent company.
- ^b Includes foreign subsidiaries of U.S. companies (\$27.1 billion).
- ^c Includes foreign parent companies of U.S. subsidiaries (\$17.6 billion) and unaffiliated companies (\$2.0 billion). Excludes funds from foreign subsidiaries to U.S. companies paid for through intercompany transactions (\$27.1 billion).
- ^d Includes U.S. state government agencies and laboratories (< \$0.2 billion); U.S. universities, colleges, and academic researchers (\$0.05 billion); and all other organizations located inside (< \$0.8 billion) and outside the United States (< \$0.05 billion).
- ^e Includes only companies with 10 or more domestic employees.

Note(s):

Detail may not add to total because of rounding. Beginning in survey year 2018, companies that performed or funded less than \$50,000 of R&D were excluded from tabulation. These companies in aggregate represented a very small share of total R&D expenditures in prior years. Had the companies under this threshold been included in the 2018 estimates, they would have contributed approximately \$90 million to overall R&D expenditures. Industry classification was based on the dominant business code for domestic R&D performance, where available. For companies that did not report business codes, the classification used for sampling was assigned. Excludes data for federally funded research and development centers. An estimate range may be displayed in place of a single estimate to avoid disclosing operations of individual companies.

Source(s):

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